Muscoy MAC Meeting Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 15, 2006

Council Members Present:

Larry Claunch Gloria Dickey Anna Duarte Vanney Mayberry

Kay Sanders Jerry Smith Lea Tinker

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Claunch at 7:03 p.m. and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

Council Member Duarte moved to approve the July Minutes as read. The motion was seconded by Council Member Mayberry and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

Non-Action Items

A. Sheriff's Department – Service Specialist Kathy Gray

Ms. Gray presented the Muscoy crime statistics for the month of July:

80 reports; 2 vandalism; 14 property; 6 auto thefts w/ recovered 15 crimes against persons; 16 miscellaneous; 66 arrests

Ms. Gray provided information on We Tip. We Tip is a service that compiles complaints received from residents and forwards the information to the local law enforcement agency. Residents have the option of remaining anonymous. We Tip can be contacted online at www.wetip.com or via telephone at 800-78-CRIME.

Lieutenant Gerrit Tesselaar from the Sheriff's Central Station introduced himself to the community. Lt. Tesselaar is assigned to serve the Muscoy community. If residents have questions or concerns they can contact Lt. Tesselaar at (909) 387-3712.

B. County Code Enforcement – Julie Hernandez

Ms. Hernandez was not able to attend the meeting. Fifth District Field Representative Frances Vasquez reported that the county is hosting a community clean up on Saturday, August 26th from 8 a.m. to noon at two locations: the corner of Macy St. and Darby St. and the PAL Center (2450 Blake St.). They have 165 cases open in Muscoy at this time. Most of these complaints include inoperative vehicles, junk/trash and illegal use of the property (which include illegal businesses, and substandard housing).

NEW BUSINESS:

Non-Action Items

<u>Sheriff's Department – Sarkis Ohannessian</u>

Sheriff's Detective Sarkis made a narcotics presentation in which he focused on recognizing clandestine methamphetamine labs. He stated that methamphetamine is the number one illegal drug of choice in the region. San Bernardino and Riverside Counties produce more methamphetamine than any other region in the United States. The state of California spends \$35 billion each year to combat drug abuse. Some of these efforts have yielded positive results as the nation has seen a 7% decrease in drug use amongst teenagers.

Methamphetamine can be produced in the home. The production of methamphetamine creates a strong chemical odor and is highly unstable. If residents know or suspect a drug house in their neighborhood they are encouraged to contact WE TIP. Residents should not approach the home themselves.

Action Items

County Special Districts - Pam Vandervoort

Ms. Vandervoort presented two proposals for street lighting districts in Muscoy:

- 1. Placement of street lights at all street intersections.
 - a. Total cost per property owner would be approximately \$9 per year.
 - b. An annual inflation increase of no more than 2.5% will be assessed dependant upon the increase of energy costs.
- 2. Placement of streetlights at intersections and mid-block.
 - a. Total cost per property owner would be approximately \$18 per year.
 - b. An annual inflation increase of no more than 2.5% will be assessed dependant upon the increase of energy costs.

The formation of a street lighting district would require a vote from the property owners of Muscoy. The program is financed through the property tax bill. In order to approve the special district, the county must receive a positive vote of 50% plus one of the votes received. What is voted in is what is implemented. One vote per parcel is allowed. If approved, the lights are owned and maintained by Edison and they require lights for 10 years. After that, property owners may revisit the issue if they want. There is no franchise tax on the lights.

Ms. Vandervoort would schedule a follow up presentation to announce the results of the survey distributed to the property owners of Muscoy. She stated that a private election company handles the actual vote and ballot counting procedures.

Action Item – Council member Duarte made a Motion / seconded by Council member Smith to request Special Districts staff to proceed with developing a survey instrument for review at next month's MAC meeting. The Motion was unanimously approved.

REPORTS:

<u>5th District Field Representative – Frances Vasquez</u>

A fire burned 80 acres in Muscoy over the weekend. The fire near Cajon Blvd and Fifth St. was fully contained by the hard work of 125 fire fighters. There were no injuries or damage to structures. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The Supervisor requested that Fire Dept. secure the old fire station ASAP. The building is now fenced and secured. Fire Dept. personnel obtained a County demolition permit. They are in the process of securing the utilities and lining up heavy equipment for the demolition. The Supervisor and Sheriff Captain Howell have reached an agreement to assign at least two more deputies for patrol in the Muscoy area effective by the end of September. The Captain suggested that effective community tools include establishment of a "Citizens Patrol" and a "Neighborhood Watch Program" in Muscoy. Kathy Gray would be able to assist with these endeavors.

Supervisor wants to again thank the community for supporting the first-ever Muscoy Community Health and Safety Fair that was held a month ago, July 15th, at the Inland Empire Job Corps Center. Despite the heat wave and the fires in the mountains, the community supported it and came out throughout the day.

The Supervisor would like to thank Code Enforcement officers Julie Hernandez and Joana Cavazos for their leadership with this event. She is grateful for the contributions and partnerships that helped make the health and safety fair a success. Thanks, also to Adan Gomez and the Job Corps Center for hosting this event as part of their anniversary year.

Events

Muscoy Community Cleanup Days - Saturdays, August 19 & 26, 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM (last conducted on April 29, 2006). Two locations: (1) Darby St. & Macy St. (2) PAL Center, 2450 W. Blake St. FREE.

<u>California Raiders Training Camp</u> – Friday, August 22, 8:00am to 12:00pm @ PAL Center, 2450 Blake St., S.B. Free. For info, call Dwaine Radden @ 909 522-1871 or George Lee @ 887-7002.

BSAA Sports & Music Camp – Saturday, Sept. 9th at A.B. Miller High School in Fontana. Nick Cannon is headlining a host of stars. Orientation begins @ 9:00am. The event is FREE for youth in grades K-12. Parents must pre-register their children in advance at Fontana Nissan. For info, call 909 574-2288.

4th Annual Celebrating Seniors Healthy Aging Fair – Thursday, Sept. 21, 9:00am to 2:00pm @ the Natl. Orange Show, 689 S. "E" St., S.B. Sponsored by County of S.B. Dept. of Aging & Adult Services and Supervisor Josie Gonzales. The event is Free: health screenings, continental breakfast, lunch, and door prizes. For info, call Glenda Jackson @ 909 891-3900.

14th Annual Del-Fest Day for Kids – Saturday, September 23, 2006. Event is hosted by Delmann Heights Boys and Girls Club in partnership with the City of S.B. Code Compliance, Parks and Recreation, Open Mortgage, Empowerment Temple Christian Fellowship. Entertainment includes a Classic Car Show, Gospel Groups & Choirs, a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament, Free Hot Dogs, Drinks (for children 2-14), Dominoes Tournament, Barbecue Cook Off, and Games led by the Boys and Girls Club staff. A Professional Wrestling Exhibition planned. Info, contact Rachel L. Brown, Site-Director (909) 384-5417.

4th Annual Arrowhead Regional Medical Center Health & Safety Fair, Saturday, Sept. 23, 10am to 3pm. 400 N Pepper Ave., Colton. Sponsored by Supervisor Josie Gonzales, ARMC Foundation, IEHP, and other sponsors. Free health screenings, snowboard lessons, food, snacks, raffle prizes, slide & bounce house, safety demos, & more.

Grant Writing Conference - On October 25th, Supervisor is hosting a Grant Writing Conference at the San Bernardino Community College District offices on Del Rosa Avenue in S.B. Community and faith-based organizations will learn effective grant writing strategies. A hands-on training of the County's new *eCivis* online database will be provided. The database will be available in over 30 county libraries and select CBO offices throughout the county. The conference and the use of eCivis are free. More information will be provided.

<u>Blast Soccer Skills Clinic "Lil' Kickers Program</u>" - Ongoing signups for boys and girls 4 to 7 years old. Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. at the Blast Soccer Complex, 3652 Little League Dr., S.B. Cost: \$45 Registration, \$35 monthly. For Information, call Mario Mejia @ 951 830-8180.

MAC MEMBER REPORTS:

Chairman Larry Claunch

No Report

Council Member Gloria Dickey

Council Member Dickey offered suggestions for securing fencing along private properties to protect animals.

Council Member Vanney Mayberry

No Report

Council Member Kay Sanders

No Report

Council Member Jerry Smith

No Report

Council Member Lea Tinker

No Report

Council Member Anna Duarte

No report

CERT Report

Ms. Sue Dawson reported that she has communicated with Dennis West to set up a presentation for an upcoming meeting. Ms. Dawson has registered names of an advisory board with CERT via the State and was not prepared to identify them yet. For more info contact Sue Dawson at muscoycert@yahoo.com.

Public Comments: None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. to the next MAC meeting scheduled for September 19, 2006 at 7:00 pm at Muscoy Fire Station # 75, 2852 Macy Street.

Submitted by: Dan Flores – Muscoy MAC Secretary (909) 387-4565